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SUBJECT: SAUDI INTERCESSION WITH US TO RELEASE C-130'S TO LIBYA

REF: JIDDA 496

THERE IS SOMETHING SLIGHTLY OMINOUS ABOUT SAUDI DECISION TO INTERCEDE ON BEHALF OF LIBYANS FOR RELEASE OF C-130'S IN U.S. AND MILITARY EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURED IN ITALY UNDER U.S. LICENSE. LOCKHEED REPS IN TRIPOLI HEARD SOME MONTHS AGO THAT SAUDIS HAD PROMISED LIBYANS TO DO THIS, AND WE WONDER WHY SAUDIS HAVE CHOSEN TO MAKE PITCH ONLY NOW. AS WE RECALL, REQUEST WAS SAID TO HAVE FIRST BEEN MADE DURING PRINCE FAHD'S VISIT. MOHAMMAD MASSOUD WAS HERE AND PROBABLY PRESENT WHEN APPROACH WAS MADE. IS THERE NEW SENSE OF URGENCY TO COMMON ARAB MILITARY PLANNING THAT DID NOT EXIST WHEN REQUEST WAS FIRST MADE, PERHAPS LINKED TO COMING MEETING OF ARAB MINISTERS OF DEFENSE IN CAIRO? WE RAISE THIS POSSIBILITY ON CHANCE IT WILL ADD SOMETHING TO THINKING OF DEPT AND BETTER INFORMED ADDRESSEES.

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